Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, August 21, 2021

Zoom Remote Access Meeting

Attendees: Megan Cleinmark, Bill Brab, Frank Ettensohn, Faith Fiene, Edward Lo., Donald Lumm, Richard Smath, John Popp, Donny Prater.

<u>Welcome and Call to Order</u> President Megan Cleinmark called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

President's Report

Megan Cleinmark stated she had no special comments to address since the last Executive Committee meeting of June 19, 2021, other than she sent an email to the Committee on August 17, 2021, with a meeting agenda for today's Executive Committee meeting.

<u>President Elect's Report</u> Donny Prater stated he had no news to report.

Vice President's Report

Donnie Lumm reported that he was transcribing today's Meeting minutes on behalf of Secretary Tim Crumbie, and that he would report on the logistics of the KY-AIPG Annual Awards event venue later in the meeting.

Secretary's Report

Donnie Lumm, on behalf of Secretary Tim Crumbie, stated that he had sent a draft copy of the Secretary's Meeting minutes he recorded in Tim's absence on June 19, 2021, to the Executive Committee on August 17, 2021, and that the meeting minutes were approved electronically by a quorum on August 20, 2021.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Brab shared a screen shot and distributed via email the Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2021. A summary of the Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2021, is provided below:

Total Operating Funds as of May 31, 2021	\$24,407.75
Checking Account Balance as of May 31, 2021	\$24,407.75
Checking Account Credits as of June 30, 2021	\$876.04
Checking Account Debits as of June 30, 2021	\$0.00
Balance Total Checking Account as of June 30, 2021	\$25,283.79
PayPal Account Balance as of May 31, 2021	\$0.00
PayPal Account Balance as of June 30, 2021	\$0.00
Total Operating Funds as of June 30, 2021	\$25,283.79
Net Change from previous report	\$876.04

Donnie Lumm made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2021. Donny Prater seconded. The motion passed.

Bill shared a screen shot of the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2021. A summary of the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2021, is provided below:

Total Operating Funds as of June 30, 2021	\$25,283.79
Checking Account Balance as of June 30, 2021	\$25,283.79
Checking Account Credits as of July 31, 2021	\$1.07
Checking Account Debits as of July 31, 2021	\$0.00
Balance Total Checking Account as of July 31, 2021	\$25,284.86
PayPal Account Balance as of June 30, 2021	\$0.00
PayPal Account Balance as of July 31, 2021	\$0.00
Total Operating Funds as of July 31, 2021	\$25,284.86
Net Change from previous report	+\$1.07

Donnie Lumm made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for July 31, 2021. Richard seconded. The motion passed.

Communications Coordinator's Report

Richard Smath stated he had recently sent an email message to all KY-AIPG members that included a revised Zoom meeting link for today's online Executive Committee meeting.

Past President's Report

Edward Lo stated that he had no significant updates to report. He mentioned that the University of Kentucky (UK) Geology Club is planning to organize in the upcoming Fall Semester, and that most of the club members would be graduate students. He said that the UK Student chapter of AIPG was going to be headed by a new sponsor named Michelle Leland.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Annual Awards Day Event

Donnie Lumm stated that the Executive Committee had previously agreed upon the Annual Awards Day venue dates for Saturday, August 28 or Saturday, September 11, and that he remained engaged in trying to contact and receive telephone or email responses from restaurants for those event dates. However, almost all restaurants had not responded to his request for serving the event. He stated that he would need to reconsider and contact some of the local microbreweries which had seating for large groups and served food items. Donnie asked for help from the Committee in choosing a venue site. Bill replied that he would suggest looking for an in-person venue site, and suggested Country Boy Brewing in Georgetown, KY.

Fall Workshop

Bill Brab stated that the Fall Workshop to be hosted by KY-AIPG concerning environmental investigation and remediation, has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at the AST facility in Midway, KY. Bill stated that he has selected and contacted various presenters to discuss related topics, however, the driller's schedule had not been finalized, and that he had not invested a significant amount of time for planning the finer logistical details. He stated the question of hosting the in-person event with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic with associated social risks, work and staffing

schedules is of concern. Megan agreed that the risks of low attendance at the workshop and the potential for virus transmission is a concern. Bill stated that he would monitor the potential for additional COVID-19 social restrictions and determine whether planning the event details would go forward. He suggested he would assume a deadline of September 15 for continuing the planning, and there was general agreement of this suggestion. Bill, said to reschedule. Donnie suggested an online technical Webinar of the three persons, providing a springboard for a future meeting. Bill will recontact the speakers.

AIPG Annual Meeting

Megan Cleinmark stated that she was unable to attend the AIPG Annual Meeting and personally represent the KY Section at the AIPG Executive Committee business meeting scheduled for Saturday, October 23, 2021, in Sacramento, CA. She stated that she had recently contacted Past President Edward Lo and President Elect Donny Prater as potential substitutes who indicated to her that they would not be able to attend the Annual Meeting. Bill stated that he was approved and scheduled to give a technical presentation on October 26 during the latter part of the Annual Meeting, but that he had not registered for the meeting and, due to various reasons, was unsure whether he would be able to attend the meeting. John Popp stated that he had intended to attend the Annual Meeting but was having second thoughts about attending the venue due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. There was general discussion about the purpose, procedure, and topics of the day long Executive business meeting. Donnie asked Edward Lo to reconsider traveling to Sacramento on Friday, October 22 to specifically attend the business meeting on October 23 and return to Lexington on Sunday, October 24; Donnie reminded Edward that the KY Section would reimburse his meeting registration fee, airfare, and hotel accommodations. Edward replied that he would consider this possibility and review online flight schedules and options that would not interfere with his ongoing dissertation research at UK.

Megan asked whether it would be detrimental to the KY Section for not sending a representative to the AIPG Annual business meeting. Donnie replied that it was not detrimental, but that the Section verbal reports given at the business meeting directly concerned a reading or verbal review of the required one-page Annual Section Report-Update (Advisory Board Form A). These forms were recently sent to all Sections by National AIPG and should be completed and returned to National AIPG three weeks prior to the business meeting. The form would be included with the various handouts to the AIPG Executive Committee and various Section representatives at the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Website Update

Edward Lo stated that he had reviewed the KY-AIPG website home page and links, paying particular attention to the website layout and arrangement of folders in the directory string. He indicated that he wanted to understand and work with other professional webmasters on adding tabs for the Bylaws Section and add a new Archives section and link. Richard Smath stated that he had reset the password for the website operator.

Kentucky Board of Professional Registration Update

Megan Cleinmark stated that she and Bill Brab attended a Board of Professional Registration Meeting in Frankfort, KY on Monday, August 9, 2021. One of the principal topics was the status of finances of the

Board, which nearly depleted and almost exclusively funded by the biannual Professional Geologist (PG) license and renewal fees due by September 30 of odd numbered years (such as 2021). Bill added that the Board has not determined its annual operating revenue (credits and debits), for establishing an annual operating budget. An unknown debit is the charges levied by the Department of Professional Licensing to the Board. Faith Fiene asked that Bill ask the Board to send an email message and reminder to pay the biannual renewal fee. In response, Bill asked Richard to send an email message to all KY-AIPG CPG's and Members who are active PGs to pay their renewal fees.

Regarding the general Board business, Bill stated that two (2) new PGs were accepted by comity from registration from another state. In another matter, a professional geologist petitioned to request an exemption for license fee as was exempted for federal government employees, however, the Board determined the PG was a contract employee working for the federal government, and not a direct, full-time federal employee. Bill stated that he will be a proctor for the next scheduled Board exams for Fundamentals of Geology (FG's) and for PG's will be on October 1, 2021.

Bill stated that he plans to attend the Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) Annual Meeting scheduled for November 5-9, 2021, in Little Rock, AR. Bill added that he would participate with the Examiner's Workshop to review and edit the ASBOG exam test questions.

KGS Advisory Board

John Popp stated that he attended the Kentucky Geological Survey's (KGS) Advisory Board meeting in Lexington on Friday, September 17, 2021. He also complimented Dan Phelps (PG) for his well-written opinion letter to and published by the Lexington Herald-Leader for a previous H-L news article that was apparently not based on scientific facts or information.

Bill Brab's Nomination for AIPG National Executive Committee

Donnie Lumm noted that Bill Brab was nominated for Secretary of the 2022 AIPG National Executive Committee and asked Bill to discuss his experience with the nomination and election process. Bill stated that he was honored to have been nominated, having been asked by a National Executive Committee member to be nominated for an elected office in prior years. He stated that it was challenging to write and submit his biography and AIPG outlook statement given a short time notice, and that he had no regrets for his involvement in the election process.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Series Lecture

Edward Lo, DEI representative, stated that the next DEI lecture will be given online Monday, August 29, 2021, by Dr. Sung-ho Hong, Murray State University, a GIS specialist. Edward said he was in contact with Sarah Johnson, Northern Kentucky University, for a future date, and asked if anyone had suggestions for future DEI speakers. Donnie Lumm suggested Dr. Jennifer O'Keefe of Morehead State University.

Next Meeting

By general discussion and consensus, the next KY-AIPG Executive Committee meeting is scheduled online for Saturday, October 2, 2021, at 10:00 am. Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Megan seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.